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Department of Health and Family Services 2001-2001 Biennial Budget Statutory Language Request August 25, 2000

Emergency Medical Services

Current Language

- 1. The statutes currently classify the appropriation, s. 20.435 (5) (ch) Emergency Medical Services; Aids, as an annual appropriation.
- 2. Wisconsin Stats. 146.55(2m) states that from the federal prevention block grant, DHFS "shall expend \$25,000 in each fiscal year to contract for the services of one physician to direct the state emergency medical services program."

Proposed Language

- 1. Change the classification of the appropriation s. 20.435 (5) (ch) to a continuing appropriation.
- 2. Change WI Stats. 146.55(2m) to read: from the federal prevention block grant, DHFS "may expend \$25,000 in each fiscal year to contract for the services of one physician to direct the state emergency medical services program."

Rationale and Effect of Change

Emergency Medical Services Funding Assistance Program

- 1. The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) section of the Division of Public Health is responsible for personnel licensure functions, the EMS communications program, complaint investigation staff, technical assistance, grant administration, training oversight and prevention activities to over 450 ambulance providers and 16,000 Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs). This section also oversees the EMS Funding Assistance Program, which annually allocates \$2.2 million General Program Revenue (GPR) funds to supplement the budgets of EMS providers and to support training of EMTs.
- 2. The \$2.2 million for the EMS Funding Assistance Program is allocated as follows:
 - ✓ At the beginning of the fiscal year, approximately \$1.4 million is distributed by formula to approximately 400 different EMS providers.

- Approximately \$500,000 to \$700,000 is paid to certified training centers for required initial and refresher training courses for EMTs who are affiliated with an EMS provider. The training centers bill the Department for any eligible student who is still enrolled in the course at the drop deadline, which occurs after a specified number of class hours have been completed. However, if a student subsequently does not complete the course, the Department proceeds to bill the EMS provider and recoups the provided training fee.
- ✓ After the distribution of the initial provider funds and payment of the training fees, any remaining funds, including recoupment of paid training fees, are then distributed to all eligible providers. The total amount available for the second distribution has been approximately \$100,000 to \$300,000.
- 3. The \$2.2 million funding for the EMS Funding Assistance Program is provided in the annual appropriation s. 20.435 (5) (ch). The structure of this appropriation is too restrictive to efficiently administer the program. The current system results in ineffective fiscal practices and also deprives EMS providers of available funds in the program.
- 4. For example, some courses are held in the spring. Due to submission of training invoices after June 30 and the time necessary to identify students who do not fully complete the training course, the Department is not able to recoup payments for many students by the June 30 deadline imposed for an annual appropriation. Because the program operates under a GPR annual appropriation all refunds due to prior state-fiscal year expenditures, generally for classes finishing in the April June period, must be deposited as GPR-earned. The Department is not able to distribute these funds to providers. The amount lost to the program has been approximately \$40,000 to \$70,000 annually.
- 5. When established in 1990, funding for the program came from the Department of Transportation (DOT) Segregated Highway Fund. The 1997-1999 Biennial Budget Act changed the funding to GPR. Before this change in funding, the Department was able to allocate the entire \$2.2 million to program expenditures because recoupment for students who did not complete training in a fiscal year were collected and distributed even if the fiscal year deadline had passed. The current appropriation structure does not permit this practice and results in a loss of funds for the program.
- 6. The requested change would allow the Department to apply any recoupments to the appropriate fiscal year and to allocate the entire level of appropriated funding to the EMS providers as intended in the original legislation.

1999-2001 Issue Paper Page

Funding for the EMS Medical Director

- 1. The contracted state EMS medical director position was created in 1993 legislation to assist with medical oversight of delivery of emergency care. The original legislation listed two sources of funding; prevention block grant and DOT segregated funds. The segregated funds language was specific for that biennium and is no longer required. However, the prevention funding language was permanent.
- 2. Federal prevention block grant funds were decreased in the last federal fiscal year and have been earmarked for stable or reduced funding in the next federal budget cycle. All Division programs funded with prevention dollars will have to reduce their budgets proportionally. The continued requirement to use \$25,000 for the EMS medical director contract will require a disproportionate cut from another program area.
- 3. The original intent of the legislation was to make \$50,000 available to contract for a medical director. That intent has been met and will continue to be met by DHFS, but the highly prescriptive language does not allow flexibility for the Division to manage its limited financial resources. This change will permit the Division to be more flexible in the funding for the medical director contract by using any appropriate funding source to pay for the contracted services.

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For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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History: 1971 c. 219; 1977 c. 29 s. 1650m (2); 1973 x 273; 1983 a. 27; 1983 a. 109 ss. 1, 3; 1985 a. 56; 1987 a. 399; 1989 a. 102, 107; 1991 a. 250; 1993 a. 16, 168, 184, 13; 1995 a. 27 ss. 138, 139, 9126 (19); 1995 a. 225, 205; 1997 a. 27 ss. 60e to 61, 93; 1997 a. 231; 1999 a. 9.

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1971 c. 125 ss. 138 to 155, 522 (1); 1971 c. 211, 215, 302, 307, 322; 1973 c. 90, 198, 243; 1973 c. 284 s. 32; 1973 c. 308, 321, 322, 333, 336; 1975 c. 39 ss. History: 1971 c. 125 ss. 138 to 153, 522 (1); 1971 c. 211, 215, 302, 307, 322; 1973 c. 90, 198, 243; 1973 c. 284 s. 32; 1973 c. 308, 321, 322, 333, 336; 1975 c. 39 ss. 153 to 173, 732 (1), (2); 1975 c. 41 s. 52; 1975 c. 82, 224, 292; 1975 c. 413 s. 18; 1975 c. 422, 423; 1975 c. 430 ss. 1, 2, 80; 1977 c. 29 ss. 236 to 273, 1657 (18); 1977 c. 218, 218; 1975 c. 348; 1979 c. 218; 1975 c. 418 ss. 129 to 137, 924 (18) (d), 929 (55); 1977 c. 478 s. 115; 1977 c. 447; 1979 c. 32 s. 92 (11); 1979 c. 344, 48; 1979 c. 102 s. 237; 1979 c. 111, 175, 177; 1979 c. 221 ss. 118g to 133, 2202 (20); 1979 c. 238, 300, 331, 361; 1981 c. 20 ss. 301 to 356b, 2202 (20) (b), (d), (g); 1981 c. 93 ss. 3 to 8, 186; 1981 c. 298, 314, 317, 359, 390; 1983 a. 27 ss. 318 to 410, 2202 (20); 1983 a. 192, 199, 245; 1983 a. 333, s. 6; 1983 a. 363, 398, 410, 427; 1983 a. 435 ss. 2, 3, 7; 1983 a. 538; 1985 a. 24, 29, 56, 73, 120, 154, 176, 255, 281, 285, 332; 1987 a. 27, 339, 368, 399, 402; 1987 a. 403 ss. 25, 256; 1987 a. 413; 1989 a. 31, 53; 1989 a. 56 ss. 13, 259; 1989 a. 102; 1989 a. 107 ss. 11, 13, 17 to 37; 1989 a. 120, 122, 173, 199, 202, 318, 336, 359; 1991 a. 6, 39, 189, 269, 275, 290, 315, 322; 1993 a. 16, 27, 76, 98, 99, 168, 183, 377, 437, 445, 446, 450, 469, 479, 490, 491; 1995 a. 27 ss. 806 to 961r, 9126 (19); 1995 a. 77, 98; 1995 a. 216 ss. 26, 27; 1995 a. 266, 276, 289, 303, 404, 417, 440, 448, 464, 468; 1997 a. 27 ss. 211, 214, 216, 217, 527 to 609; 1997 a. 35, 105, 231, 237, 280, 290, 1999 a. 5, 9, 32, 52, 84, 103, 109, 113, 133, 185, 186.

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SECTION 3. $146.50^{\circ}(8)$ (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

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History: 1973 c. 321; 1975 c. 39 ss. 645 to 647d, 782 (2), 1975 c. 224; 1977 c. 29, 167; 1979 c. 321; 1981 c. 73, 380; 1981 c. 39 ss. 211; 1983 a. 189; 1985 a. 120, 135; 1987 a. 70, 399; 1989 a. 31; 1989 a. 102 ss. 20, 21, 36 to 59, 1991 a. 39, 238; 1993 a. 27, 29, 105, 183, 251, 399; 1997 a. 79, 191, 237; 1999 a. 7, 56.

SECTION 4. 146.53 (5) (h) of the statutes is amended to read:

146.53 (5) (h) Investigate complaints received regarding ambulance service providers, first responders, emergency medical technicians and medical directors and take appropriate actions after first consulting with the board and, if contracted with under s. 146.55 (2m), the state medical director for emergency medical services.

History: 1993 a. 251, 491; 1995 a. 247. **SECTION 5.** 146.53 (5) (k) of the statutes is amended to read:

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History: 1989 a. 102 ss. 15 to 17, 23, 25, 26, 60; 1997 a. 39, 269; 1993 a. 16, 251, 399, 491; 1997 a. 27, 79.

SECTION 8. 146.58 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

146.58 (1) Appoint an advisory committee of physicians with expertise in the emergency medical services area to advise the department on the criteria for selection of the state medical director for emergency medical services and, if a physician is contracted with under s. 146.55 (2m) to be the state medical director for

- 1 emergency medical services, on the performance of the director and to advise the
- 2 director on appropriate medical issues.

History: 1993 a. 16 ss. 2578f, 2578g, 2578p; 1995 a. 225; 1997 a. 27.

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September 18, 2000

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Please review this draft carefully to ensure that it is consistent with your intent. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Thursday, September 28, 2000 1:42 PM

To:

Sager-Rosenthal, Ivy

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FW: FW: LRB-0299 EMS request.

----Original Message-----From: Chao, Richard

Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2000 11:09 AM

To: Jablonsky, Sue

Subject: Re: FW: LRB-0299 EMS request.

Yes, that is correct. We want a physician as the state medical director of

EMS.

>>> Jablonsky, Sue 09/28/00 10:25AM >>>

----Original Message-----From: Sager-Rosenthal, Ivy

Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2000 10:24 AM

To: Jablonsky, Sue

Subject: RE: LRB-0299 EMS request.

If I understand correctly, the draft should make funding the director from s. 20.435 (1) (mc) optional but still require DHFS to contract with a physician to serve as the director. Am I correct?

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----Original Message-----From: Jablonsky, Sue

Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2000 9:43 AM

To: Sager-Rosenthal, Ivv

Subject: FW: LRB-0299 EMS request.

Comments from Rich. Let me know if this is a problem. I told him that you were making technical changes since you made the funding permissive rather than required.

----Original Message-----From: Chao, Richard

Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2000 5:18 PM

To: Jablonsky, Sue

Subject: LRB-0299 EMS request.

Sue:

I just got word that we should sent all comment through you.

When Ivy called me last week, I was spaced and goofed in giving her verbal instructions. We have do not a problem with being required to have a physician as the state medical director for EMS services. We just want the funding from the PBG to be written as may instead of shall, which will give us flexibility in funding the position. As a result, please remove any of the changes that state, "if a physician is contracted with under s. 146.55

(2m)....."

Richard T. Chao Budget Section Department of Health and Family Services (608) 267-0356



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146.58 (1) Appoint an advisory committee of physicians with expertise in the emergency medical services area to advise the department on the criteria for selection of the state medical director for emergency medical services and, if a physician is contracted with under s. 146.55 (2m) to be the state medical director for emergency medical services, on the performance of the director and to advise the director on appropriate medical issues.

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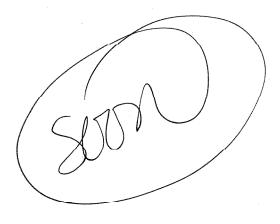
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This bill authorizes, rather than requires, DHFS to expend \$25,000 under the federal preventive health services project grant program in each fiscal year to hire a state medical director for penergency medical services. The bill also changes the appropriation that funds EMS personnel training and examination and EMS

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* appropriation.

For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 20.435 (5) (ch) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.435 (5) (ch) Emergency medical services; aids. The As a continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule to pay the costs for emergency medical technician — basic training and examination aid under s. 146.55 (5) and for ambulance service vehicles or vehicle equipment, emergency medical services supplies or equipment or emergency medical training for personnel under s. 146.55 (4).

****Note: This Section involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

SECTION 2. 146.55 (2m) (a) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

146.55 (2m) (a) The department shall contract with a physician to direct the state emergency medical services program. The department may expend from the funding under the federal preventive health services project grant program under 42 USC 2476 under the appropriation under s. 20.435 (1) (mc), \$25,000 in each fiscal year for this purpose.

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